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Argentine Threesome Notes New President

On May 1 Argentina inaugurated a new chief executive, for the first time since the Peron administration came into power a number of years ago. To take philatelic note of the occasion, the country released on April 30 a set of three stamps in the values of 40c, 1 and 2 Pesos.



Of like design excepting only for the values, they show the head of Liberty and the legends "REPUBLICA ARGENTINA" and "LIBERTAD Y DEMOCRACIA", with the nation's flag in color. The backgrounds of the three are in ochre, rose and bright green, respectively.

Printing was by the National Mint, with three million of the lowest value and one million of each of the other two.

Agency Drops 3 More Prefixes; Only 3 Remain

Three more denominations of the 1938 Presidential regular postage issue were removed from the Philatelic Agency sales list at the close of business April 25, the Post Office Department has announced.

They were the 7c Jackson, 10c Tyler and 20c Garfield. Still available are the 9c William H. Harrison, 15c Buchanan and 25c McKinley. A new list of adhesives on sale at the Agency, Post Office Department, Washington 25, D. C., may be obtained by sending a stamped, addressed envelope.

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NEW YORK'S SENATOR HERBERT LEHMAN, second from right, and Israel's Consul General Simcha Pratt, right, hold sheets of the new Israel stamp commemorating that nation's 10th anniversary. With them in the above photo are other participants in the recent first day ceremonies in the U. S.: Jacques Minkus, left, manager of Gimbel's Stamp & Coin Dept. and Joseph L. Ekhouse, executive head of the New York department store.

UN 8c Regular To Have FD June 2 In New York; Details On Ordering FDC's And Mint

The United Nations Postal Administration has announced that the first day of issue of the 8c regular stamp depicting the UN seal will be June 2. The design, in UN blue, was prepared by Herbert Sanborn (United States) of the UN Graphic Presentation Section. The stamps are printed by Bradbury Wilkinson and Co. Ltd. of England. They will be vertical and measure 27 x 33mm perforation to perforation. They will be issued in sheets of 50, with marginal inscriptions appearing twice at the top and twice at the bottom of each sheet.

The marginal inscription will consist of the UN seal with "1958" beneath. Perforation size will be 13½ horizontal and 14 vertical. Printing will be by steel engraving process. An initial printing quantity of 5,000,000 stamps has been ordered.

The new adhesive will be placed on sale at face value at UN Headquarters, N.Y. and at the UN European Office in Geneva at the price established for that office. In London, the stamps

will be available to dealers only against payment in sterling.

Detailed instructions as to the procedure to be followed for obtaining first day covers of the new stamps are:

1. First day service is given only at UN Headquarters, N. Y. against payment in U.S. dollars.
2. Persons desiring first day cancellations of the stamps may send in a reasonable number of addressed unstamped envelopes to the UN Postal Administration United Nations, N.Y.
3. The outside envelope must be clearly marked "First Day Covers - 8c regular".
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Silver Medal Honors "Best Weekly Magazine, Americas"; U. S. Philatelists Rank High

Ernest A. Kehr

United States entries upheld the honor of the nation and fared well indeed in the various sections of the Argentine "EFICON" International Exhibition just concluded in Parana, Argentina. While individual collectors took numerous high awards, the 60,000-plus readers of Linn's will be equally well pleased to learn that their judgment in selecting this publication as their favorite has been confirmed by the officials at the EFICON exhibition.

The EFICON judges awarded Linn's Weekly Stamp News a silver medal as "the best weekly philatelic magazine in the Americas". The publication had previously won a gold medal for excellence at CUPEX, the Centenary International Philatelic Exhibition at Havana, Cuba in 1955.

Despite excessively strong competition offered by local collectors, entries at EFICON, which was held in this remote city of the Argentine, did credit to North American philately. Gold medals were taken by both Dr. James Matejka, Chicago, for his entry of Alaskan postal history covers, and by Louis Stich, New York, for his Corrientes collection.

Dr. Matejka also was given "felicitations of the jury", for his remarkable presentation and attractive mounting. At least two other American entries were considered for golds, but the quality of material against which they had to compete was just a bit too strong.

This was due in a large measure to the fact that local entries were supplemented by volumes in the bin room, whereas U.S. entries were confined to frame displays. Mrs. Margaret Hackett, Yonkers, N.Y., took two prizes. Her "Coaches" was the best in the thematic section, and her "Argentine History" was considered so unusual that it won a special trophy offered by the Minister of Education.

Other U. S. winners were: Silver-gilt medals—Dr. C. S. Hitchins, New Haven, for his Manchukuo; Col. Donald Sherman, New York, for his Red Cross, and the Collectors Club, for Louis Stich's book, "Corrientes".

Silver — Ben Reeves, Chicago, for Heligoland (plus a special award for study and research); Bernard Hennig, Chicago, for Danzig; P. W. Lampertine, Charleston, for Sudan airmails and British royal covers; Louise Clemenson, New York, for Reunion; the Ralph Kohorn Collection.

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"COMPEX" To Have Foreign Cooperation

In keeping with the international character of "COMPEX", the Combined Philatelic Exhibitions of Chicagoland, Inc., which will open May 30, a number of foreign postal administrations have agreed to send specially mounted displays of their postage stamps. The event will be held in the LaSalle Hotel, Chicago, Ill.

For more than six months Ernest A. Kehr, international secretary of COMPEX, has been in close touch with the heads of participating administrations. He has procured their wholehearted cooperation. This will be the first time that they have sent such precious archive material to any American show other than the internationals at Grand Central Palace and the Coliseum, in N.Y.

Among the featured exhibits will be those of the Swiss P.T.T., the Egyptian Postal Administration, and the postal museums of the Netherlands, Sweden and Belgium. There will be approximately twenty such flown to Chicago from Europe, Africa and Asia.

No attempt was made to obtain mere quantity. Only such officials as are known to prepare spectacularly informative material have been invited to COMPEX.

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Requests for information about the group should be sent to
Mr. Rich.

Plans have been completed for a three-day spring conference
of the France and Colonies Group, New York City, May 16-18.
The event will be held at the Hotel Collingswood, 35 W. 35th St.
This will be the first such conference held by the organization
since its pre-centenary forum of 1948. The opening session will be
an informal one the evening of the 16th, with no special program
planned. The bourse will be open, and a panel of experts on the
issues of France and Colonies will be available to answer questions.
Formal sessions are listed for Saturday, beginning at 10:30
a. m. Speakers will include Henry M. Goodkind, Brainerd Kremer,
Stephen G. Rich, Nathan Hals, and Jan Kindler. All are known ex-
perts and authorities in their respective fields.

Saturday evening is reserved for a French dinner at the Saint
Germain Restaurant, 36 W. 48th St., opposite Radio City. In addi-
tion to a superb gourmet dinner in the French style, prizes and
awards will be made at this time, and, in the tradition of F & C
dinners, NO speeches!

The bourse will be open at all times, as also will the com-
petitive exhibition staged by the Group in the Collectors Club,
22 E. 35th St., a very short distance from the Collingswood. The
conference will close with a Sunday "brunch" and, for those who
desire it, a boat cruise around Manhattan Island.

Rates for the various activities are \$2.50 registration for the
conference and \$5 for the dinner; Sunday brunch and tour are
extra. Full details and reservations may be obtained from Charles
Bretagne, P. O. Box 30, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

Mexican Set For Oil Anniversary

Dr. A. William Bork

The first 1958 philatelic activity
in Mexico was the March 18 is-
sue of four stamps to commem-
orate the 20th anniversary of the
foreign oil companies operating
within the country. The set con-
sists of 30c and 1 Peso denomina-
tions for ordinary postage and 50c
and 5P. airmails. Quantities and
design are not at the moment
available, but the stamps have
appeared and without previous
notice.

Stylized "Mexico's Declaration
of Economic Independence", the
expropriation of the foreign owned
oil properties and all of the
facilities and installations of the
companies in 1938 came about as
a direct solution of the labor dis-
putes which had arisen between
the Mexican employees and the
foreign management.

Gen. Lazaro Cardenas, then
president, was notably national-
istic in his policies and senti-
ments. He was also a conscientious
believer in the principles ex-
pressed by the leaders of the
Mexican revolution of 1910.

He accelerated the speed with
which large estates and ranches
were broken up and distributed
to peasant communities, and in
his expropriation of the oil prop-
erties he was in reality only
carrying out his duty with regard
to the lands of mineral bearing
character within the country.

Under Spanish law all mineral
rights remain forever in the na-
tion and the individual has only
the right or privilege of exploit-
ing them. When foreign opera-
tors of the oil wells failed to
reach agreements with their em-
ployees, Cardenas acted.

Tense days followed and many
feared direct intervention by the
United States and Great Britain,
but under the Good Neighbor
policy negotiations took place
instead of the use of force. Mexico
has since been paying the foreign
owners promptly according to the
terms agreed upon in these negotia-
tions.

In addition to these four, a single
50c airmail will be issued
shortly to mark the Tenth Anniv-
ersary of the Declaration of Hu-
man Rights by the United Na-
tions. This one will be printed
in the quantity of two million
copies.

Stamp Club To Greet Israel Anniversary

The Israel Stamp Society of
Philadelphia, Pa. will fete the
10th Anniversary of the State of
Israel with a special program at
the YM & YWHA Saturday, May
17 at 8:30 p.m.

An evening of contemporary
Israeli songs and dances will be
presented by young men and
women of the Hechalutz Farm of
Highstown, N.J. These youths are
studying various agricultural
techniques and animal husbandry
in preparation for life on a Kib-
butz in Israel.

The Israel Stamp Society was
founded in 1950. It is composed
of men and women of various
professions who are interested in
the study of the stamps of Israel
and of forerunners under Turkish
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Visitors are welcome at regular
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Cook			1.10	St. Kitts	.45	.35	1.00
Cyprus	.40	2.50	1.20	St. Lucia	.45	3.00	1.00
Dominica	.45	2.10	1.50	St. Vincent	.45	3.00	1.00
Falkland	.90	10.40	1.10	Samoa			
Falkland Dep.	.50	.25		Sarawak	.35	3.00	
Fiji	.45	.75	1.50	Seychelles	.45	1.00	1.00
Gambia	.50	2.00	1.30	Sierra Leone	.40	4.00	1.00
Gibraltar	.45	2.50	1.50	Singapore	.40	1.65	
Gilbert	.40	2.20	3.75	Somaliland	.35	.40	1.00
Great Britain	.45	2.70	.20	So. Rhodesia	.25	1.00	1.00
Great Britain 251A	1.00	1.35	2.25	S. W. Africa	.50	.30	
Gold Coast	.45	2.15	1.35	Straits			
Grenada	.45	1.40	.55	Swaziland	.25	1.70	.40
Hong Kong	.40		.70	Tanier	.35	1.00	
India	.45			Tonga	.35		
Iraq	.45			Transjordan	.40		
Jamaica	.50	4.10	1.35	Trinidad	.45	4.40	.40
Kenya	.40	2.60	1.10	Turks Caicos	.50	1.40	1.00
Kuwait	.65	3.50		U. S. Africa	.25	.30	4.25
Leeward	.50	.90	2.00	Virgin	.60	2.40	1.00
Malta	.40	2.25	1.05	Zanzibar	.40	1.00	
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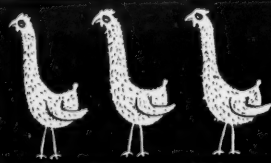
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Swiss Pro Patria Quintet To Mark National Stamp Day Has Surtax To Aid Needy Mothers

The Swiss General Directorate of Posts, Telegraph and Telephones, Berne, Switzerland, has announced that a new set of five adhesives in the Pro Patria series will be released May 31. Each will carry a surtax to be devoted to the aid of needy mothers.

The Directorate of PTT adds that the low value, 5c + 5c, will depict the theme of the set with a likeness of a mother and babe. The remaining four will introduce a new picture series which will feature rocks, minerals and fossils native to the country.

The purpose of the new range of subjects is to familiarize Switzerland and the world at large with the country's mineral and rock formations of which magnificent specimens are found in many museums. The land is poor in mineral assets of industrial value, but the beauty of its natural attributes in this field is compelling.



The designs show, in order: 5c + 5c brownish carmine, mother and infant; 10c + 10c green, brown, yellow, and gray, fluorite; 20c + 10c red, brownish yellow and gray, ammonite; 30c + 10c, brownish yellow, carmine and gray, garnet; and 40c + 10c blue, light blue and gray, rock crystal.

The 5c was designed by Donald Brun, Basel, engraved by Albert Yersin, Mont-sur-Rolle and printed by the PTT Stamp Printing Office, Berne. The remaining four were designed by Niklaus Stoecklin, Riehen, and roto-gravure printed by Courvoisier SA, La Chaux-de-Fonds.

There are 50 stamps to the sheet, with border imprints. The 5c + 5c shows only the value, but the other four carry in addition statements as to the purpose of the issue and the period of validity (through December 31). The stamps will be available at all post offices and the philatelic agency during the life of the issue.

Mint stamps as well as stamps canceled loose or stuck on sheets or on covers may be ordered from the Agency. A special cancellation will be applied on the first day of sale, May 31, but no items bearing any earlier issues will be serviced, even if examples of the Pro Patria set are thereon.

First day covers or cards must be received by May 31, together with sufficient funds to pay for franking (and, if desired, registration). If desired returned under cover, such container must be included, along with funds for prepayment of postage on it. FDC's should contain suitable

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At the time of announcing the new set, the Swiss officials also stated that various issues of stamps, newspaper wrappers, postal cards and other philatelic matter are available at the Agency. Interested collectors may write for a free copy of the list together with instructions for placing orders for their wants. The address is as given above in connection with FD orders. The list includes officials, UN Service issues, regular and com-

Lake County Stamp Club Organized, Painesville

Fifty stamp collectors in the Painesville, Ohio area met April 24 in the Garfield Center on the Lake Erie College campus and formed the Lake County Stamp Club.

Nominating and constitution committees were appointed, to report at the May 15 meeting when officers will be elected. All collectors in the area are invited to visit the new organization on this date.

Among those active in the formation of the group were Al Henderson, Fred Baldwin and Robert Lord, all of Painesville, and Steve Kovacs, Mentor, Ohio.

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3	1847	Superb unused 130.00	
4	1847	Superb "De Luxe" copy, light cancel, "A Gem" 200.00	
5	1875	Reproduction, Superb 55.00	
6	1875	Superb "A Gem" 85.00	
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251	340	15c Blk VF OG	4.00
252	341	50c VF-Superb OG	27.50
253	341	50c Blk VF OG rich color fresh	92.50
254	342	1.00 VF-Superb OG	37.50
255	342	1.00 VF-Superb OG	27.50
256	342	1.00 Blk VF-Superb OG "A Gem"	165.00
257	343	347 1c-5c Superb OG	15.50
258	343	347 1c-5c Pairs Sup. OG	37.00
259	343	347 1c-5c Blks Sup. OG	55.00
260	347	5c Blk Superb OG fresh 25.00	
261	348	351 1c-5c Coils F-VF OG	24.50
262	357	1c Blush VF-Sup OG	10.00
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563	#10	3c on neat small cover fancy cancel Chatham 4 corners N.Y. to Canaan 4 corners N.Y. rare	12.50
564	#10	3c on cover VF rare	8.50
565	#10	3c VF on cover Blue cancel rare	10.00
566	#10	3c on cover "Paid" cancel VF rare	15.00
567	#11	3c VF on neat small cover rare	5.00
568	#12	10c 2 copies VF on cover rare	55.00
569	#24	25 1c Pair, 3c (1) to Wash., D.C. (fine)	15.00
570	#24	68 1c, 10c (2) on cover VF rare	5.00
571	#65	3c as above but "5" VF rare	7.50
572	#65	3c as above but "5" VF rare	7.50
573	#65	3c Fancy "Maltese Cross" cancel addressed to Andrew Jackson President, Wash., D.C. rare	15.00
574	#65	3c 2 copies on cover VF	2.50
575	#68	10c 2 copies on cover VF	5.00
576	#68	10c Pair Superb on cover fancy cancel, rare	12.50
577	#88	90 3c, 12c Fine on cover to Rome fancy red cancel, nice Postmarks, rare	12.50
579	#89	10c Fine on cover to "Cien Fuegos" rare	15.00
580	#89	10c Fine on cover to Syria nice Transit postmarks	15.00
581	#89	10c 4 copies on cover to Vera Cruz Fine, rare	35.00
582	#91	15c Fine on cover to France, D.C. Postmark neat	30.00
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584	#113	2c fancy blue cancel to Pa. VF rare	10.00
585	#113	2c Due Pair 1869 on cover to Italy F-VF	45.00
586	#113, 114	2c on cover to Boston plus 3c (114) for forwarding charge, rare	10.00
587	#113, 114	3c (3) 3c (1) on cover Fine	12.50
588	#114	3c Fancy cancel for West Troy VF rare	5.00
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I am asked frequently how
one can send money abroad, or
if not money, some negotiable
instrument which will serve as
payment for various things.
What most folks have in the backs
of their heads is the getting by
without paying the postal money
order fee.

Of course, use of a money or-
der is about as safe a way as
you can do it, but I believe there
are other methods less costly and
just as sure, and perhaps more
convenient. I refer to certified
checks, or bank drafts. Many
banks, if you are a good cus-
tomer, will prepare them for you
at no cost, or at perhaps 10c each.
These are acceptable abroad
where personal checks are not.

There is one drawback in that
in some foreign nations a fee is
charged to your correspondent
for the cashing of the check which
means, that if he doesn't absorb
this cost, you will have to add
a bit extra to your remittance.

Another means of payment is
through express money orders
which are sold by banks, drug
stores and some certain other
businesses. Most every town, even
the very small ones, has such an
agency handy. This is an advan-
tage over the postal money order
for international use since only
the mail mills in the larger cities
write foreign ones.

While some foreign businesses
will accept mint U.S. stamps in
payment for sums of less than
\$1, they do not want quantities
of them over that sum. Our
stamps mean little to collectors
abroad either for their albums,
or for sale to others. They are
taken up with the issues of their
own nation.

Some dealers who advertise in
U. S. publications will accept
mint stamps and pay their bills
over here with them. But here
again they take a beating since
those to whom they owe bills
will only accept so much of the
payment in stamps, and they
usually discount the amount 5%.

Then there is the matter of
sending currency. Coins are not
wanted at all, but folding money
is acceptable to many. There is
no prohibition by the Post Of-
fice Department to sending it
abroad. It is suggested that any
sizeable sum (more than a couple
bucks) be sent by registered let-
ter, but here again you run into
a steep fee for same.

Some countries do not permit
their citizens to receive foreign
currency—confiscation will result
if spotted, whether registered or
not. You are thus the loser. You
can help by asking the postal
clerk whether the nation to whom
you are sending the registered
letter with currency allows its
entry. If it does not, use another
means of payment.

The way the postal administra-
tions on both sides of the oceans
throw bureaucratic red tape en-
tanglements at people who want
to spend money or pay honest
or dishonest debts, it's only sheer
courage that makes them want
to carry through with the "Good
Neighbor Policy" among the
"Free Nations".

1. What sentence from the
Gettysburg Address of Lincoln
is found on the commem issued
in 1948 in its tribute?
2. Which commem has the in-
scription, "Guardian of the Pion-
eer"?

I wonder when the next
"queer" commem will make its
appearance.

There was a big hullabaloo
with the Gardening about the
honors and tributes which that
stamp paid to Dr. Liberty Hyde
Bailey, noted horticulturist, and
still his name was never men-
tioned in the design.

Then there is coming the Gun-
ston Hall which is supposed to
make a big do about an obscure
patriot, George Mason, but ac-
tually pictures a 200-year-old
building of which there are many
prettier and more important ones
around the nation.

Rumor has it that this item
was promoted by a band of ladies
who pressured the POD. They
want it to be as well known as
Mount Vernon, Monticello, The
Hermitage, Stratford Hall and
Betsy Ross House.

Gunston Hall isn't in the same
class historically with that quin-
tet, but publicizing it to draw the
tourists will probably keep the
dames buys and a few shekels

coming in to maintain the Hall's
downspouts in repair.

So our grand old Post Office
Department has gone all out to
keep about 2000 of our 175 mil-
lion citizens happy. Many of the
rest think the POD's nuts.

Still Gunston Hall rates with
such brilliant offerings as Saga-
more Hill, Wheatland (which was
a really pretty stamp) and Booker
T. Washington's god-forsaken log
palace.

An interesting bit of informa-
tion concerns Canton Island in the
South Pacific. This is jointly ad-
ministered by the United States
and Great Britain. It is approxi-
mately 2000 miles southwest of
Hawaii.

Here one will find the U. S.
post office which is closest to
that of another nation. In this in-
stance it is just 4 feet. Both are
side by side in the large room
of an administration building.

The Postal Service News,
monthly publication of the Post
Office Department for its em-
ployees, and a dandy magazine,
too, had a couple of stories about
postal employees which you might
enjoy as much as I did. The first
follows—

Dover, New Hampshire Carrier
Harold Perkins knows his pa-
trons, their habits and their hand-
writing, thoroughly — and from
that fact Postal Inspectors re-
cently were able to close a baff-
ling case.

A young and very pretty Dover
telephone company employee
received a viciously obscene
anonymous letter postmarked
from in the city. Inspectors tried
various leads but could not iden-
tify the writer.

The girl was not listed in either
the city or the telephone direc-
tory, yet the letter was properly
addressed to her home. Therefore
they reasoned that the writer
lived in the neighborhood and
knew her and her address.

So they turned to Harold who
carries that route. He drew a de-
tailed map of the area and de-
scribed each resident completely.
Then he studied the handwriting
on the anonymous letter and
showed the Inspectors how simi-
lar it was to that of one of his
patrons.

The Inspectors confronted the
patron with this fact and he con-
fessed. Another case solved
through the cooperation of Pos-
tal employees.

A second story told of the pa-
tience and wit of a rural letter
carrier to make his point. The
moral might be well taken by
any of our subscribers on the
rural routes who have been do-
ing along the same lines with
their mailman. It reads—

Golden City, Missouri Rural
Carrier Henry Gipson broke his
patrons of the bad habit of ex-
pecting him to affix the stamps
to their mail by distributing to
them the following in the form
common for death notices:

Rover died this morning, the
victim of a disease common
among Rural Mail Carriers. The
name for the disease is "glueitis."
Rover noticed it usually took me
over an hour to stamp your let-
ters each day, and since he was
always anxious to get home to
his dinner he figured that the
best way to accomplish this was
to get in and help. He realized
that I had my hands plenty full
doing my work and your too, so
he would sit beside me and stick
out his tongue and I would swipe
the stamp across his moist tongue
and presto, it was ready to be
affixed to your letter.

Rover knew darn well that I
was too good a fellow to leave
your letters in the mail box just
because you didn't put stamps on
them, even though the Post Of-
fice Department has ruled that
I didn't have to pick them up
without the proper postage being
affixed. But now, since Rover is
gone, I wonder if it would be
asking too much to ask you to
keep a few stamps on hand for
stamping your letters before de-
positing them in your mail box
for collection. I carry a nice as-
sortment of stamps, postal cards,

and stamped envelopes at all
times.

A. F. Koenig of Manchester,
N. H. states that the Chamber of
Commerce of his city is using
the Brussels Fair commem ex-
clusively on its mail for the next
few months. This one-stamp-
mindedness comes about because
the roof of the United States
pavilion which appears in the
design was manufactured by a
Manchester company — Kalwall
Corporation.

The material used in the roof
was developed and made by Kal-
wall and then flown to Belgium.

Prepared by the Chamber for
use on all its outgoing mail is a
rubber stamp which has the
legend, "Roof Of Building Made
Of New Hampshire Product". I
suppose if you would send an
addressed envelope to them hav-
ing one of the Brussels Fair
stamps affixed, they'd imprint
that statement on it.

Walter Brink who operates the
Brook Hill Local Mail Service,
and who has stamps to be ap-
plied to mail which he handles,
announces that since he ran out
of his stock of such stickers new
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will be ready soon.

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send an envelope with filler, on
which you have your name and
address and a 3c U. S. stamp, to
Walter C. Brink, Genesee De-
pot, Wis. Include 20c for each
cover to be serviced — that sum
pays for the local stamp and a
handling.

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lars is just about out of stock
at the Philatelic Agency. I might
suggest if you haven't gotten
such commems as you want, and
denominations of the current
Liberties as you need, to do so
now. The latter will probably be
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The Overprints On The 10c Red Sower Stamp Of France; WWI Occupation Overprints

Jan Kindler

Last year, about this time, at the end of an article on the Ten Centimes Red Sower stamp of France, I suggested to readers of this journal that a great deal more could be said on the subject. Now I am here with some of that additional material, specifically that on the occupation overprints of World War I. As early as 1907 this stamp was surcharged. This was the year in which the type finally settled down as the heavy-line version. The F.M. overprint, for Military Franchise, was applied from 1907 to 1916, and used up to 1929 throughout metropolitan France and several of the colonies.

In 1911 it was struck with a "destruction cancel" reading "ANNULE". These copies were for practice use in the postal school. Those in black were imprinted on stamps in sheets; those in purple on panes in booklets. Since the strike not only killed the stamp for postal purposes, but also changed its function, it may be thought of in part as an overprint.

The Red Cross surcharge of 1914, France's first semipostal issue, was next. The following year an essay was proposed but not accepted. It read "Reoccupation Francaise en Alsace". In 1917, a number of them were individually handstamp struck with a "T", either alone or in a triangle, for use as postage dues. Since this altered the purpose of the stamp, it too may be called an overprint.

So much for the domestic surcharges.

The occupation overprints were more or less emergency issues that began to appear in the Mediterranean area as the tide turned in favor of the Allies. The first of these was made in 1918. British and French forces occupied a territory of Turkey called Cilicia.

CILICIA And SYRIA

The French overprinted a number of values of the Sower issue for use in this area. Among them was the ten centimes red, which was surcharged "O.M.F. CILICIE" and "20 paras" in three lines. It served until 1920, by which time the French were in

compete charge. During that year, they put out a second issue, on which "20 paras" was on two lines—four lines in all. This second surcharge was printed by two shops; hence it exists in two types involving the space between the word "Cilicie" and the numerals "20". 200,000 copies were printed with a space of 1-1/3 to 2mm; 400,000 have a space of 1 to 1 1/2mm. An interesting double error exists on which the wrong value, 10 paras, appears, but only in inverted position.

O.F.M. stands for "Occupation Francaise Militaire".

A third surcharge, "Sand. Est" (20 paras) was produced for the Sandjaks de l'Est. A sanjak is a subdivision of an administrative province. Four, or possibly five, minor varieties of this surcharge exist.

The overprints produced in these territories are often loaded with mistakes. None is more so than those produced for Syria, the first of which appeared in 1919, when France received a mandate over this Turkish province. It read "T.E.O. 1 piastre", in two lines. T.E.O. means Territoires Ennemis Occupes. Five "errors" exist in the 9000 copies printed. On the same date, November 21, a surcharge of 5 millimes was also created (99,000 copies); and in May 1920, a third type, of 2 piastres, with O.F.M. replacing T.E.O., was added.

The last Syrian overprint was the 50 centimes value of 1921. It is a philatelic horror. It gave birth to at least twelve specific

errors, not counting a spate of broken fonts, incomplete printings and misplaced type. Undoubtedly, the normal specimens are the rarest. Out of several dozen, I have only one that could be called adequately printed. The rest are interesting messes.

CASTELLORIZO

The two issues of the Island of Castellorizo, which were next, have a somewhat more complex history. Scott lists them but calls them unnecessary and speculative. I think, therefore, that a more detailed outline of their provenience is in order.

Before the war, the island was under Turkish administration. It was occupied by the Greek navy in 1913. In December 1915 it was taken over by a French detachment which was later replaced by the third squadron of the first fleet. Until 1920, stamps of the Levant served to carry mail which was successively cancelled with an occupation corps cachet and a naval occupation one.

In June 1920 the administrator, Naval Lieutenant Terme, ordered that these stamps be surcharged: O.N.F. Castellorizo. Among these was the ten centimes red Sower and the only one of this printing not known on G.C. paper.

On August 26 of the same year, the warship "La Provence" arrived with a new supply of French stamps and these were struck with a new overprint, this time a handstamp reading "O.F. Castellorizo" (sic) placed sideways with the top to the east. Only 500 examples were made of the ten centimes red Sower.

In March 1921 the occupation was ordered finished. The French troops withdrew on August 21 of the same year at which time the island was turned over to Italy.

The O.N.F. overprint exists inverted; The O.F. one is known doubled. While a certain dubiety persists, it is hardly more doubtful than many another accepted issue.

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	.85	41-43	.85
	.95	73-74	.95
	3.00	10-11	3.00
DANZIG	3.50	15	3.50
	.80	16-18	.80
	1.75	6-8	1.75
	1.50	15-19	1.50
DOM. REP.	.50	28-41	.50
	.40	11	.40
	.43	C88	.43
	.85	4-78 C97-99	.85
	2.25	25	2.25
	1.75	16-48	1.75
	.35	0-14	.35
ETHIOPIA	1.00	8-10	1.00
	2.25	7-301	2.25
	.30	18-40	.30
FINLAND	.25	3	.25
	.75	6-19B	.75
	1.65	1-2	1.65
	.90	1-11	.90
FRANCE	.25	2	.25
	.30	0-71	.30
	.90	1-94	.90
	.60	0-91	.60
	.10	14	.10
	.13	16	.13
	2.00	94-99	2.00
FR. MOROCCO	.80	5-87	.80
	.30	6	.30
GREECE	1.10	1-34	1.10
	3.50	5-87	3.50
	.15	45	.15
HUNGARY	.90	2-27	.90
	1.65	2-28 C92	1.65
	1.50	47-61	1.50
	.45	64-81	.45
	1.10	90-97	1.10
	1.60	32-37	1.60
	1.00	28	1.00
JAPAN	.35	302	.35
	.30	1A	.30
	.85	9-98	.85
	.90	4-108	.90
	.60	21	.60
	.45	45	.45
	.40	73	.40
QUATRALA	.35	13	.35
	1.75	1-4	1.75
	.30	4	.30
MAITI	1.75	40-51	1.75
	1.50	385	1.50
	1.65	358-88 C49-51	1.65
	1.85	11-13	1.85
	1.10	C12-18	1.10
	1.85	C22-23	1.85
	.35	C24	.35
	3.95	C25-32	3.95
KOREA	1.85	55-60	1.85
	.60	61-66	.60
	15.00	85-86	15.00
	3.25	95	3.25
	1.25	108-13	1.25
	8.00	119-21	8.00
	.35	Impf	.35
	8.75	196	8.75
	1.75	197-99	1.75
GHANA	3.50	1-4	3.50
	2.85	5-13	2.85
	2.50	14-16	2.50
	.90	17-20	.90
	.70	21-24	.70
LAOS	3.75	1-17	3.75
	.30	18-22	.30
	.30	23-24	.30
	2.15	25-26	2.15
	6.75	27-28 C20-21	6.75
	2.25	30-33 C22-23	2.25
	1.30	34-36 C24-26	1.30
	1.25	37-40	1.25
	2.15	B1-15	2.15
	1.25	C1-4	1.25
	2.25	C5-6	2.25
	6.25	C7-12	6.25
	18.00	C13-19	18.00
	1.40	C27-30	1.40
	.75	J1-7	.75
LEICHTENSTEIN	1.55	172-75	1.55
	1.50	181-84	1.50
	1.50	188-91	1.50
	.55	289-92	.55
LITHUANIA	7.50	B47-50	7.50
	2.75	B52-54	2.75
	2.00	C63-70	2.00
	1.50	Impf.	1.50
LUXEMBOURG	.50	265-71	.50
	.45	280-85	.45
	1.50	306-04	1.50
	.60	B7-10	.60
	.50	B11-14	.50
	1.25	B15-24	1.25
	1.25	B25-29	1.25
	1.25	B121-25	1.25
	1.00	B126	1.00
	1.75	B152-56	1.75
	3.75	B156-61	3.75
	.75	B162-62	.75
MEXICO	1.50	784-86	1.50
	.50	771-73	.50
	2.00	891-98 C229-34	2.00
	2.95	C1-13	2.95
	1.10	C91-93	1.10
	.75	C94-96	.75
	.85	C97-99	.85
	.85	C108-10	.85
	1.10	C11-13	1.10
	1.75	C114-16	1.75
	.75	C117-19	.75
	1.95	C123-25	1.95
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	.60	201-07	.60
	.40	C1-15	.40

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WE'RE STUCK! We bought (in Hong Kong) 100 mint sets of Laos #1-17, but lacking #13. We've looked high and low for the #13 to complete the sets, but have been unable to buy them! Single copies are available from some retailers at 4-5 times catalog usual for Laos! The #13 is not to be found! Laos #1-17 is the set that price lists just indicate as P.O.R. No dealer seems to have many, and the price climbs rapidly. (The last firm price we saw was \$2.75 each, some weeks ago). Our problem is - what to do with these almost - complete sets? We've decided to give up looking for #13 and turn the job over to our customers! If these sets were complete, we'd price at \$2.95, based on importation costs - but since they're not, we'll sell at \$1.75, one set to a customer, and chalk up our search for #13 to "experience". Happy hunting to you!

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AUSTRALIA: 2/ Antarctic, IGY item; #303 - VF used, 19c

BELGIUM: ANTARCTIC EXPEDITION; also Geophysical issue - mint 35c

BETTER GET STARTED! 15 diff. (mint & VF used) VIET NAM, LAOS & CAMBODIA; not coming off any - prices still going up, even at our overseas sources - so don't wait too long to start on these! Present supply of 15 diff. priced at 75c next month! Limit 1 LAOS only; 15 diff. mint - Net \$1.00

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RED SOWER ISSUE (Continued from page 8)

peared the surcharge for "the Levant", that is, for use in the French post offices within the Turkish Empire. These existed by virtue of treaties known as "capitulations" through which, prior to World War I, various European powers were granted the right to maintain postal offices within that Empire. France established such in 1799, issuing her first special stamps there from in 1885.

During the wars, these offices of course had become inactive; at the time of their reopening French postage was pressed into service. The ten centimes red Sower received the surcharge "1 piastre, 20 paras", in two lines. This issue is singularly free of defects - no varieties of the overprint have been recorded.

However, I can assert, and for the first time put on record, that there were two distinct settings. In the one that is listed, the width of the two lines of the surcharge is exactly equal.

In the second type, which I have discovered, the bottom line is shorter by 1 1/2 mm. Furthermore, the space between the two lines is narrower by a clear 2/3 or 3/4 of a mm. As this surcharge was hand-set, it is possible that the discrepancy on the aberrant specimens occurred within the overprinting form of type itself. But, as I have never seen an entire sheet of the printing, I do not know any more than that the type, which is quite distinct, exists. I point it out for further study.

The same surcharge exists as a handstamp. This came into being on March 26, 1923 when a shortage of the regular issue occurred at Istanbul. The French Consul General, L. Santi, gave a decree authorizing the temporary handstruck issue. Five days later, March 31, new stocks arrived; accordingly the remainder of the emergency issue was destroyed.

MEMEL AND OTHERS

So much for the Mediterranean area. In the meantime, the Versailles Congress had declared Memel, a small enclave on the Baltic, to be an autonomous territory; France was invited to administer it.

In July 1920, overprints were

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added in Paris to several French issues intended for use in the territory. The ten centimes Sower received a surcharge of ten pfennigs. On several of the stamps in the sheets so prepared there is a discrepancy of one millimeter in the distance between the numerals of the surcharge and the word "Memel".

This wider spacing occurs, according to the Michel catalogue, five times in the sheet. But Barrier, who wrote the book on the Sower issues, says that they appear at positions 78 to 80, that is, three times. I have not seen a sheet and can not, myself, adjudicate this difference of opinion but I suspect a printer's error - The 78 should have been 76.

However it may be, in April 1921, a second surcharge was added in Memel, over the first. A large numeral "15", applied in a blue ink, raised the value of the original.

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surcharge was created once again in Paris. Its form is the same as the earlier one but the words "Memel" and "pfennig" are in a serifed italic type. Again, five stamps in each sheet had the discrepancy in the spacing but this time there is no argument among the authorities. The positions were numbers 121 through 125. No reason has ever been adduced to explain this clearly intentional oddity; I suspect that it was intended to facilitate the check of forgeries.

One more overprint must be mentioned: "SP du M, Bordeaux". It stands for "Service Postale du Montenegro" and came about when the government of that country was forced to take refuge in France during 1916, which country gave permission to its guests to use its postage as altered by the surcharge.

In similar circumstances, the Serbian government in exile on the French-occupied island of Corfu was given a like permission but without a surcharge. The words "Postes Serbes" which sometimes appear on the stamps of France of that place and period are neither an overprint nor a cancellation but a cachet that was required to be struck on the envelopes.

Their appearance on the stamps is either an accident or deliberate philately. However, an essay of a surcharge with a two-headed eagle and the words "Postes Serbes" in black was prepared. The closing of the office on October 14, 1918 prevented its issuance.

This abortive trial is known inverted on the ten centimes red Sower alone. That marvelous stamp persists in being unique

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15	.70	2.20	7.50			91	.22	.42	1.60	1.00	
16	13.25				8.75	92	.11	.52	1.65	.57	.15
17/21, 23	1.40					93	.18	.60	1.60	.50	.22
22	6.15	8.75			.80	94/99	.72	.85	3.25	2.90	.45
24	.34	2.75		2.10	.20	100/03	.35	.38	1.65	1.50	.30
26	1.40	2.45		5.25	.65	104	.11	.17	.65	.48	.12
27	3.25	6.25	20.95		2.65	105/16	.72	.80	2.85	3.00	.60
28/30	5.25				2.95	117	.27	.50	1.85	1.05	.22
31/32	1.10	3.60		7.50	1.10	118	.21	.27	.95	.85	.20
33/34	6.30			43.50	5.25	119	.12	.18	.50	.60	
35/36	.80	3.45		11.25	.50	120	.17	.22	.80	.75	.24
37	3.10	6.50		14.25	2.45	121/23	.14	.20	.70	.65	.20
38/43	.17	.65	1.75	1.00	.08	124/26	.45	.90	2.70	2.10	
44	.85	2.25	7.75	3.50	.24	127	.21	.24	1.00	.95	.27
45	.22	.80	2.75	1.25	.24	128	.16	.18	.70	.70	
46/47	.95	4.25		4.10	.80	129/31	.33	.35	1.35	1.25	.39
48/50	1.10			12.25	1.00	132	.70	.70			.85
51	.35	1.10	3.25	1.60	.30	133	.34	.36	1.35	1.25	
52/54	.26	.75	2.20	1.10	.25	134/37	.72	.80	2.95	2.90	
55/61	7.95			34.95		138	.28	.31	1.15	1.15	
56/61	.39	.65	2.75	2.45	.15	C1/6	6.26	13.50			
62/64	.65	1.45		2.50	.40	C7/8	1.65	2.50	9.25	2.10	1.65
65	.55	1.35	4.40	2.25	.55	C9/14	.75	1.35	4.25	3.00	.70
66/69	1.15	1.65	6.00	4.25	.95	C15	3.25	6.25			2.45
70/71	.50	.95	3.25	1.95	.60	C16	.45	.80	2.10	1.90	.55
72	.35	1.20	3.25	1.50	.40	C17	1.85	2.25	7.75	7.75	2.00
73	.30	1.10	2.25	1.50	.35						
74	.22	.60	2.15	.90	.24	J1/5					
75/77	.35	.65	2.30	1.70	.30	J6/11	2.35	4.95			2.35
78	.40	1.35	4.75	1.75	.40	J12/20	.65	.75	3.95	4.50	
79	.40	1.35	4.25	1.75	.42						
80/83	.35	.40	2.30	1.85	.20	O1/4	1.30	5.25		3.40	.60
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13-14	1.30	2.00	6.45	9.10	1.25	
15-16	1.40	2.00	6.95	9.75	1.30	
17-18	1.70	2.50	7.95	10.75	1.45	
19-20	.65	1.00	2.85	4.05	.60	
21-22	.60	1.00	2.85	4.05	.55	
23-24	.80	1.25	3.75	5.25	.75	
25-26	.85	1.35	3.90	5.60	.75	
27-28	.80	1.50	3.85	5.60	.75	
29-30	7.50	15.00	35.00	52.00	2.95	
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31-32	.75	1.20	3.50	5.00	.75	
33-34	.85	1.50	4.20	5.85	.85	
35-37	.90	1.70	4.45	6.10	.90	
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59-60	.15	.30	.75	1.00	.15	
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102-109	.55	185-186	.40	J1-6	13.00
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New Zealand "Health" miniature sheets of 6, first released as a part of the 1957 set, will become an annual feature! This year's set of two values (2d + 1d, showing a uniformed member of the "Girls Brigade", and 3d + 1d, member of the "Boys Brigade") will appear August 20. It will again be dispensed both in full sheets of 120 subjects and in the aforementioned miniature sheets of 6.

The release of this new pair of miniature sheets will naturally draw a lot of attention to the original 1957 pair which first appeared with sideways watermark only. A quick sellout necessitated an unannounced second printing which turned out to have upright watermarks.

This second printing appears to have been the smaller one, perhaps merely enough to fill some remaining mail orders, although final sales figures have not yet been published. We counseled our readers before to obtain all four of the 1957 Health miniature sheets and this is as good a time as any to remind those who failed to heed this bit of advice.

All they need to remember is how the original 1956 "Europa" issues shot up in price as soon as the 1957 group appeared. This series attracted a lot of new collectors to this field, all of whom of course, required the 1956 Europa issues for completion. These had meanwhile dwindled in dealers' stocks.

The result is that the first (1956) Europa collection now sells for approximately five times its new issue cost. We can not guarantee that the four New Zealand 1957 Health miniature sheets will perform in this spectacular manner, but we have little doubt that this foursome, now retailing for about \$5, will sell for above \$10 within one year. Don't miss out on a "sure thing"!

The New Zealand 2d on 1½d Provisional mentioned here last week, overprinted on the QEII stamp with the small denomination figure, fetches approximately \$6 on the London market. Not bad for a stamp just released and with a face value of 2c U.S.!

Don't expect your dealer to unknowingly supply you with this scarce stamp for 4c or 5c. If he has it at all, it cost him at least \$5 via London or New Zealand sources. It is quite inconceivable that he received a supply at face value.

New Zealand has announced the following printing figures for its recent commens:

New Zealand Postage Stamp Centennial—2d, 8,000,040; 3d, 15,000,000; 4d, 2,500,080; Southland Centennial—2d, 8,000,040; 3d, 15,000,000; 8d, 2,000,000.

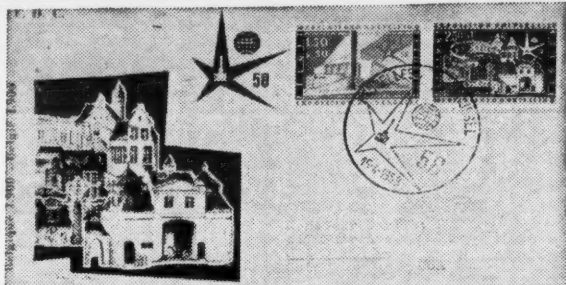
Meat Export Trade—4d, 1,500,000; 8d, 1,500,000.

Malta's 1957 "George Cross" issue, Scott Nos. 263-265, and tipped here, is now worth roughly three times face value at New York stamp stores! Again, the price advance was largely triggered by the appearance of the new 1958 "George Cross" set which reminded a lot of people that they had missed the earlier trio.

The West Indies Federation issue of 30 values (10 colonies, 3 denominations each) is a great hit everywhere in the United States. Unfortunately, the map of this area featured on these adhesives is greatly out of proportion and omits most of the Caribbean islands that are not British! Australia will take philatelic note of the Queen's getting a little older by substituting more recent portraits of the sovereign on the low values during the next year and a half. The 3½d will be first, to be followed by new 1d, 2½d and 3d adhesives.

Ghana's three "unissued" QEII mystery stamps, mentioned here before, are about to be reissued with official blessings. We hope that you followed our tip to acquire these three values only with legible 1957 postmarks, preferably on entire covers. Curiously, the 4d will be the denomination to watch, as the Ghana Agency reports having but limited quantities for sale. Up to now, the 2½d has been by far the most elusive of these three much discussed items. The 2d was the relatively easiest to locate. Copies with 1958 postmarks will now, of course, be cheap and plentiful.

Speaking of Ghana, W. R. Wellstead, writing a well documented article in the London magazine



HOST NATION'S FAIR STAMPS. The two semipostals on this envelope are two of a set of six Belgium issued to publicize and help finance the Universal and International Exposition it is starting at Brussels. Each is in several colors with the designs picturing various buildings and points of interest. Roland Grumaux, 22 Zegepraalstraat, Borgerhout, Antwerp, Belgium sent the cover.

"Stamp Collecting", describes various types of "GHANA" handstamps used during the initial period of independence. Ranging in size from a length of 22mm to 43mm and in height from 5mm to 19mm, these devices were primarily intended to overstamp the world "Gold Coast" in the town datestamp.

Basically, the Ghana stamps were obliterated with the normal dated canceler which was then overprinted "GHANA" in the lower half. In two instances, namely at Hemang and at Tafo, these handstamps were actually applied to unoverprinted QEII Gold Coast stamps! Such examples on original cover should be worth a good deal of money.

In some localities, the "GHANA" handstamps were used haphazardly anywhere on the envelope, apparently out of sheer exuberance over the achievement of full independence. The article's author lists only 17 post offices where, to his knowledge, "GHANA" handstamps were in use. On the other hand, 350 post offices continued using their old Gold Coast cancelers without applying any additional handstamp. The last post office to use its handstamp was Akroso in October of 1957, most other offices having discontinued using theirs by September or earlier.

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pears to be some sort of small scale "Jamboree" was held from December 27 to January 6 at Greenbank Military Camp, Queensland, Australia.

Next week we plan to start a new series, this time on the tropical South Sea group known as the Gilbert & Ellice Islands. See you then!

GHANA ALBUM PAGES

Stephen G. Rich

The pitfall or "catch" is that the commems are listed in three separate series. Some are listed in regular issues; many in the semipostals; and some under the airmails. Most of the semipostals from 1935 on will rank properly

For these reasons, and because sometimes choice blocks, plate corner items with the date of printing, and interesting covers exist, it probably is good sense not to attempt to use any printed album pages, but to let your own fancy have reign. Thus, France's Joan of Arc of 1929 is not striking if you have just one nice copy. Because it is a small stamp an unused block of four.

The commemoratives of 1953 to 1955 are particularly charming. Many competent judges of art, for example, think the 1953 Dressmaking Industry stamp, Scott No. 687, one of the loveliest designs ever used for postal purposes. The 1954 Gobelin Tapestry 25fr. is not only a beautiful piece of work, but its fine engraving will bear comparison with the famous U.S. 24c 1869, ac-

Now the 1939 and 1949 World's Fair commemoratives show a stage in the "fall of the franc". 2.25fr. carried a letter on the international rate in 1939; but by 1940 it required 2.50fr. I don't belabor this development, but leave it to you to work out when you start your own collection.

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The Wealth Of Gold In French Duplicates

Nathan Hale

When one buys stamps in packets and kilos there is an inevitable accumulation of duplicates, which seem to clog up storage space and are a drag on the circuit books. But this situation can lead to a lot of fun in the field of France and Colonies.

Offhand it would seem that any country which has no problems of watermarks or perforations would be dull, but there are a great many compensations among our French friends. There are a large number of paper, gum and color varieties in the colonies which are easily found without special equipment other than an eye for color, a normally sensitive skin to detect paper thickness differences, and an ordinary magnifying glass.

The stamp printing works of France has always maintained a standard for the stamp paper, but within that standard variations in thickness, finish and color occur. There are thick hard papers, thick soft, thin, medium, pelure, very white, light buff, grayish, and coated papers. A slick magazine page is typical of a coated paper, and while the coated stamps are not that slick, the difference is easily noted from plain paper.

The gums in the stamps for tropical colonies vary in color, texture and thickness. They are smooth white, white rippled, yellow cracked, and even grayish. In type A2 of French Oceania a lot of say 25 duplicates is liable to have as many as 7 varieties of color, paper and gum.

Senegal, too, is ripe in such material, and also offers a fascinating opportunity for those who would like to get their feet wet in a specialty without going to much expense. But before going into that I wish to point out that all of the typographed stamps of the colonies will prove to be more complex than a casual first glance would indicate.

Senegal Type A28 offers one of the newest fields of investigation for the amateur which is easy to do and will teach the fundamentals of the hobby painlessly. A fast look at several duplicates of the 1c or 2c value will show that there seem to be two sizes of the vignette, and this is confirmed with a ruler. We find the frame is the same, but the vignette overrides its boundaries in one variety.

Now we have two different stamps and we can apply the paper and gum differentiations to them. But if the design is in two different sizes then we must find out how they differ, and here we enter a fascinating field.

Perhaps you know the story of the teacher who had her students look at a leaf and draw it. She approved each one, but told the students to go further and further. So they looked again and saw details they had missed, and looked again for finer details until they were using a microscope to explore the deepest puzzles of a leaf.

That is what you can do on this stamp. Examining the shading in the sky and the tree will bring you a world of differences that can lead to your being able to plate the stamp. Short of putting every cliché back in its place in the plate, you will still end up with a page full of varieties of one stamp and will find your duplicate material reduced greatly.

I would venture to say that over half of the duplicates I had before I took a good look at them are now in my album pages. As I developed in knowledge of the material and its history the only additions I could make were certain cancellations. All other finds were made without any specialized knowledge.

You may have noticed that I have been talking about the very cheapest of the material available, and that is where most of the finds are to be made. Take the case of France Type A16 surcharged 1/2c for newspaper use. It catalog 2c mint or used, and even less in French catalogs. If you don't have at least a dozen of these MINT in your duplicates it is a wonder, but I hunted five years for a used copy! If you have one, hold on! A knowledgeable French collector will not argue over paying much more than catalog for such a prize.

In type A42, the Fachi woman, you will find two varieties of the 50c. Look at her forehead. On some copies she has three hairs preceding her hair-do; on others, two; and still others, none—all genuine plate differences.

Another accumulation item is the 50c Peace, type A45. Look at the buckle of the strap that folds her gown at the waist, and also at the "C" of 50c. You will find four shapes of the "C" and at least four variations in the folds of her gown at the buckle. Once more, no specialized knowledge is needed to find material.

Again, the type A16 was printed by both flat press and rotary press. Which is which? Look below the "E" of "FRANCE" in the clear space leading up to the

Goddess Liberty. In this space, starting from the bottom up there is a line—or lines. One line is flat press, multiple lines indicate the rotary press product.

Look at our common friend type A5, the Laureated Napoleon. The 20c and 30c values have two types as shown by the size of the dots in the bottom tablet "20C • POSTES • 20C". In one they are quite fine and the other the dots are considerably larger than the period closing this sentence.

Do not discard any 19th century stamps of France you own if the cancellation is clear and on the nose. An amazing number are worth more than the mint stamp!

For instance, the regular common 5c green Peace and Commerce stamp, type A15, is highly esteemed if it has one of those old numeral cancellations on it—a big numeral, often of four figures, in a lozenge of dots. A small number in a circle is also something choice.

The former is belated use of the old killers from before 1872. The latter is the cancellation carried by a postman for handling mail picked up on his route to be delivered by him later on the same route. But I shall not go into all the interesting cancellations—it would make almost a book.

SILVER MEDAL (Continued from page 1)

New York, for Austria, plus a special award; the Washington Press, Newark, for Vatican album; and World Wide Sports, New York for Sports and Olympic stamp albums.

Bronze—Clayton Goodpastor, California, for aerograms and Chester Makowski, Chicago, for Poland.

In the literature section, Dr. Gregory Salisbury of Philadelphia took a silver for the Rossica Journal he edits, and Linn's Stamp News also gained a silver as the best weekly magazine in the Americas. The International Reply Coupon bulletin-catalog received a bronze.

The "Religion" collection of Francis Cardinal Spellman earned a special award of recognition. The "Brazil" of the Collectors Club of New York, was given a certificate of participation plus a bronze medal since it was not entered for competition.

EFICON might well be called the exhibition that couldn't be staged but was. Though planned for several years by Argentina's philatelic federation, it ran into snags. The provisional government wasn't quite as sympathetic as had been that under the Peron regime, according to one of the officers who preferred to remain unnamed.

The Ministry of Communications agreed to supply the necessary financial support by issuing a set of semipostals. Delays ensued and the promised funds would not be given until the set was issued (after several delays) on March 29, which gave the committee less than two weeks to work with any measure of certainty.

The second problem was the site of the exhibition. The philatelists wanted it in Buenos Aires; the government refused—it must be held in Parana. In 1858, Buenos Aires Province and City had refused to join the confederation and the first Argentine Confederation stamps were

issued in this capital of Entre Rios.

Historically the site is justified, but from a practical point of view, it leaves much to be desired. It is isolated by the Parana River from the rest of Argentina and is not connected by either rail or highway to the rest of the country.

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15-16	1.50	7.25	10.15	77.25	1.65
17-18	1.70	7.95	10.90	88.95	1.85
19-20	.65	2.95	4.10	34.95	.95
21-22	.65	2.95	4.10	34.95	.95
23-24	.65	2.95	4.10	34.95	.95
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31-32	.65	2.75	4.35	34.95	.75
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35-37	.95	4.45	6.10	47.75	1.10
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39-40	.50	2.30	3.25	27.50	.75
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Levantine Interim Issues Of 1918-1924; Some Little Known Facts And Logical Deductions

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There has always been a certain amount of confusion about the interim postal issues by the British, French and Arab administrations occupying Palestine-Lebanon-Syria (the Levant) from the time of the area's liberation from the Ottomans until the definitive issues of the new League of Nation mandates in the early 1920's.

A specialist in the area, Chester Missahl, of Duluth, Minn. is particularly interested in the issues of Lebanon during the period 1920-1924. He mentions Scott's Nos. 104-120 of Syria, also J18-22 and airmails C14-17, as candidates for Lebanese interim forerunners before the first Scott-listed sets of Lebanon in 1924 (Nos. 1-21), and asks if there were not others, particularly during 1920-23.

The items he lists were issued for joint use in Lebanon and Syria between 1923-1924. They are simply French stamps overprinted: "Syrie Grand Liban", with new values in centimes and piasters, but they are certainly not the only adhesives used in Lebanon between 1918 and 1924. It must be remembered that English and Arab forces occupied Lebanon before the arrival of the French, and that they, as well as the latter, issued occupation stamps for their respective spheres of influence.

It is difficult to isolate Lebanon from the general Levantine postal situation during this period, as there was much overlapping. To make the situation as clear as possible, the following brief background is presented:

The area was cleared of retreating Turkish troops by the joint efforts of British and Arab Allied Forces in 1918; there was only a small French token force involved. The Arab forces of the Emir Feisal (later King Feisal of Syria and Iraq) were the first to reach Beirut, Lebanon. There Gen. Shukri Pasha al-Ayyubi, a collateral descendant of the great Saladin, raised the Arab flag and ruled briefly as Arab governor.

Allenby's British forces, coming up from liberated Palestine, next occupied Beirut, and struck the Arab flag on protest of their French liaison officer, a certain Capt. Pisani. He had invoked the secret Sykes-Picot agreement by which most of the Arab lands were to be divided between France and Britain, with Beirut falling in the sphere of occupation of the former.

The British eventually evacuated Lebanon in favor of French occupation forces, and also abandoned the Emir Feisal to his fate in adjacent Syria. As a result, by 1920 the French had occupied all of Lebanon and Syria except the Palestinian district, which was retained by Britain.

Following the classic colonial policy of "divide and rule", France set about to isolate the land mass of the Syrian interior, briefly the seat of Feisal's independent Arab kingdom, from the coastal provinces. She buttressed the small Christian sanjak of Mount Lebanon with the predominantly Moslem areas of Tripoli, the Bekaa, Sidon and Tyre,

as a new state of "Greater Lebanon" (Grand Liban). Next she set up the successive states of Alaouites and Latakia to the north, to close out Syria proper from access to the sea. Separate definitive stamp issues were eventually provided for all the areas in question, in order to emphasize their minor differences and to foster separatism from both Syria in particular and the Arab world in general.

The stamp issues with which we are concerned reflect the forerunners of these separate distinctive issues for individual entities.

One of the best resumes of the rapidly changing and overlapping philatelic situation in the area during the formative years 1918-1924 has been provided by a lifelong student and collector of these particular stamps, Dr. Jibrail Jabbour, Professor of Arabic Studies at the American University of Beirut, Lebanon.

Writing specifically to fill in the "vacuum" mentioned by Mr. Missahl for the 1918-1923 period, where both Scott and Gibbons are silent, Dr. Jabbour has furnished the following notes:

"The break-up of the Ottoman administration took place in 1918. The British army under Gen. Allenby had already occupied Palestine and started using EEF Postage Paid stamps (Scott Nos. 1-14), so inscribed to indicate their Egyptian Expeditionary Force origin.

"These stamps were also used by the occupation forces coming from Egypt, in both Syria and Lebanon. I have in my collection many samples of these stamps carrying the postal marks of towns and villages in Lebanon, especially along the coast, such as Jounieh, Beirut, Sidon, etc., and they were probably used in Lebanon up to 1920.

"In the meantime the Arab Government in Syria was using whatever Turkish stamps it found in postal offices after having overprinted them with the seal reading: 'Arab Government' in Arabic (Scott's Syria, Issues of the Arabian Government Nos. 1-84 and 94-99, as well as J1-5, all of 1920).

"In 1920 the French had started using in Lebanon French stamps overprinted T.E.O. and new values in Egyptian currency (pias-

ters and millimes). I have samples of these carrying the postmark of Beirut. T.E.O. is an abbreviation for Territoires Ennemies Occupes (Occupied Enemy Territories). The original overprint is in two lines and the stamps are very rare (Syria Nos. 1-10). Later another set was issued . . . with the surcharge in three lines, and these stamps are quite common (Nos. 11-20).

"When the French occupied Syria they introduced a new overprint: O.M.F. (Occupation Militaire Francaise) on French stamps which were used in both Syria and Lebanon for a long time. They were followed by other types of O.M.F. overprints, up to the 'Syria-Grand-Liban' overprints of 1923, and subsequently the separate state issues of 1924."

In view of the undoubted use of all of the Scott-listed Syrian stamps of the French occupation forces throughout both Lebanon and Syria from 1919 through 1923, it would seem that they should be listed under both Lebanon and Syria. At least, a note should be added at the head of the Scott-listed first Lebanese issue calling attention to this fact. It would further seem appropriate to add a brief note concerning the 1918-1920 use of EEF definitives in Lebanese post offices.

In fact, it is probable that locally overprinted T.E.O. and O.M.F. as well as "Syrie-Grand-Liban" issues were actually prepared in Beirut, France's occupation center and stronghold, during the period in question, rather than in Syria. This conclusion is doubly logical, particularly since Syria was not occupied until 1920, and the T.E.O. issues must have been primarily used in Lebanon!

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(Continued from last week)

ELECTION FRANKS

In Japan, candidates for the Diet have been granted a free mail privilege for campaigning ever since 1925. When plans were made for the election of the first Ryukyuan Legislature on March 2, 1952 the U. S. Civil Administration directive provided that the Central Election Committee might, on request, issue not more than 5000 post-free cards to any candidate.

They may print, mimeograph or write campaign messages on the cards and address them. The post office delivers the cards but is not required to cancel them. In some cases cancellations have been applied either inadvertently or by favor.

In all elections since 1952 the current postal card has been used with an additional boxed imprint with five kanji characters reading LEGISLATURE MEMBER and beneath them two larger characters meaning ELECTION. For special elections the lower legend has four characters, two reading SPECIAL above the ELECTION.

The election frank is not an overprint. Cards including the frank have been printed up as needed, at first by the Koshun plant, later by Kyodo. Originally the same card was used for several special elections, but in recent years the color has been changed each time new cards were required.

In the first six years of their use, a period covering four general and 11 special elections, there have been five major types of election franks.

Large Crown General Election (Type 1)

For the first general election held March 2, 1952 the new red Large Crown card on coarse tan paper was printed with the LEGISLATURE MEMBER ELECTION in an 18 x 37.5mm double frame box with six 4mm projections at top and bottom. Date of validity was February 2. There were 69 candidates for 31 seats, but no accurate record is available on the number of cards actually issued to them.

Large Crown Special Election (Type 2)

A special election was held August 14, 1952 in the Kasari District of Amami to fill a vacancy created by invalidation of the general election results because of irregularities. The red Large Crown card was again used with an election frank lengthened to 40mm to include the two additional characters for SPECIAL. Date of validity was July 26, 1952. There were two candidates.

Small Crown Special Election (Type 3)

Four special elections were held in Amami in the first half of 1953 to fill two vacancies caused by death. In all of them the same card was used—a Small Crown on coarse tan paper with a special election frank like that applied to the Large Crown cards of the previous year. The particular election for which a card was used can be determined only by the message on the back or an inadvertently applied postmark giving the date.

The first of three special elections was held in District 4 on April 1, 1953. Date of validity of the cards was March 3. There were two candidates. The winner, a member of the leftist Social Masses Party, was disqualified by military order and the election voided.

A District 3 election was held April 25, 1953, with two candidates. Date of validity of the cards was March 27.

A second District 4 special election was scheduled for May 31, 1953, with May 2 as the date of validity for the cards. There were no candidates.

Shrine General Election (Type 4)

For the second general election, held March 14, 1954 after Amami Oshima had been returned to Japan, there were 64 candidates. The 2-yrn Shrine cards in the earlier and larger Okinawa die (Type 4a) was printed up in red by Koshun and was valid from February 23, 1954. A new franking imprint was used. Heavy single lines replaced the double line frame. The box itself measures 16 x 37.5mm, but 49mm side frame lines extend above and below, with four lighter lines between them at top and bottom. The kanji is heavier and in the case of the ELECTION characters in a much larger face.

The quantity authorized was 2000 per candidate, some 128,000 in all. Surplus cards were used up for official business within the postal establishment. (Some are known to have been given mimeographed addresses and cancellations for use in a mail sorting test for postal clerks).

When the third general election was held March 11, 1956 the smaller Japan die of the Shrine card was in use. The card (Type 4b), printed by Kobundo, was green with a frank imprint frame like that for the 1954 general election. The kanji is in a different face, however, and the five upper characters are much lighter. A few of these cards appear with one bottom character in an abbreviated form. Date of validity was February 20, 1956. There were 60 candidates.



OFFICIAL MAIL — A Japanese postcard validated with the seal of the postmaster in Okinawa and overprinted for official use.

For the general election held March 16, 1958 the Shrine card was printed in dark blue (Type 4c) and issued February 25. There were 69 candidates for the 29 seats in the Legislature. United States Civil Administration officials report a total of 140,200 cards issued.

Shrine Special Election (Type 5)

A special election with four candidates was held December 5, 1954 in District 18, including part of Naha, to fill a vacancy caused by death. The Okinawa die Shrine cards (Type 5a), printed in red by Koshun, are like the 1954 general election cards except that the box has been lengthened to make room for the two characters for SPECIAL. Date of validity was November 6, 1954.

Three special elections were held in 1955 and the Shrine cards were used for each. However, they were printed by Kyodo from the smaller and clearer Japan die and a different color was used for each. The framing of the box is lighter, with the box itself 58mm deep and 62mm outer frame lines. The type is in a new face and the bottom character appears in an abbreviated form.

Purple was the color for the cards (Type 5b) for the election held in Okinawa's District 20 on March 6, 1955, with cards valid from February 15. There were two candidates in this Nakazato election.

Blue cards (Type 5c) were used for a special election held March 27, 1955 in District 23, Kumajima, with March 8 as the date of validity. There were two candidates.

Brown cards (Type 5d) were provided for an Okinawa District 22 election July 17, 1955. Date of validity was June 28 and there were three candidates.

In each of these 1955 elections the authorization was for 2000 cards per candidate.

Only one special election was held in 1956, to fill a vacancy in District 25, Hirara in Miyako. The card (Type 5e) was printed in red-brown. Date of validity was October 26 and date of election November 11. There were two candidates.

For a special election held in District 18 August 25, 1957 a card was printed in violet (Type 5f) with August 5 as its date of validity. There were two candidates.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

When the first Ryukyuan is-

sue of postal stationery came into use July 1, 1948, Okinawa postal officials had a large stock of Japanese 15-sen Cherry cards on hand — some 30,000 single and 750 double cards, some of them with the black Hirata seal overprint.

Over the next five years these were used with a variety of overprints for official mail.

The most common overprint was a handstamped TSUSHIN JIMU (Communications Business) in four kanji characters reading down. This has been seen in these forms:

Purple, framed, on 15-sen red Cherry card with Hirata seal.

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Same, but with an additional larger orange-red unframed TSUSHIN JIMU on top of the purple framed handstamp.

Black mimeographed unframed TSUSHIN JIMU on red Cherry card without Hirata seal.

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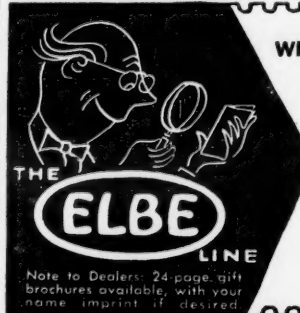
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895-6	.12	1080-2	.18	1277-9	.24	1442	.05	1630-1	.16
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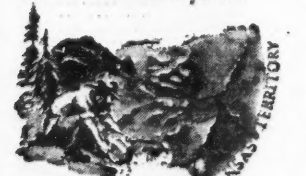
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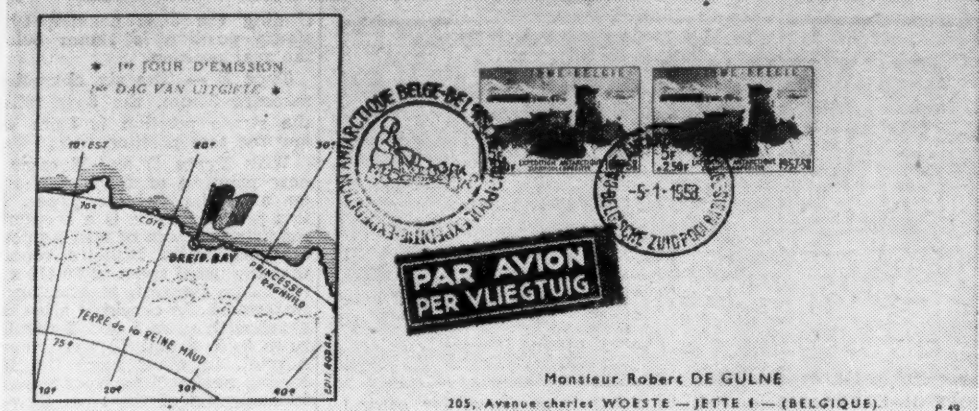
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France And Colonies Group To Mark 17 Years Of Philatelic Progress; Newcomers Invited

Ira Zweifach

The past year has been a memorable one for the France and Colonies Group. The seventeen-year-old society, which has long been a mecca for collectors of the stamps of France and her Colonies, has taken notable forward steps in many directions and dimensions.

Offering equal opportunity to the newcomer as well as to the established expert, the club provides all those pleasures and services expected from a nationwide organization of major importance. The group not only offers fun and fellowship; it is also dedicated to service to its membership and to the dissemination of philatelic knowledge.

Founded in 1941, by Dr. Charles Vaurie and Raoul Lesgor, two keen students of French philately, the organization has had a long and distinguished history. From the very beginning emphasis has always been put upon the understanding of stamps and their postal history, rather than on the usual stamp club aspects—the buying and trading of stamps. This has been a vital factor in keeping the club alive and its standing among philatelists of the highest.

The Group became nationwide almost from the time of its founding and has continued to spread ever since. It has many members in Canada, and not a few outside the continental limits of North America.

Many of the most distinguished students and collectors of stampdom may be found on its membership list, and the contributions of these men to the lore of philately is large, indeed.

Famous among French specialists are the three fine reference works published and written by Mr. Lesgor: "The Cancellations of French Stamps of the Classic Issue", written with Meade Minnigerode; "France, 19th Century Specialized" and "France, 20th Century Specialized".

Brainerd Kremer, another member, is widely known for his "Check List of the Numeral Cancellations Used by the Post Offices of France" and his fine "Philatelic Facts" series.

Charles Neidorf, whose amazing researches among the "Tour Hassan" stamps of Morocco earned for him an award from the Collectors Club and whose detailed work on the subject may be found in that organization's famous publication, "The Collectors Club Philatelist", is still another of the great students whose name may be found on the club's membership roster.

Best known of all, perhaps, is Stephen G. Rich, whose myriad articles on the stamps of France, as well as those on all other aspects of philately, have appeared in philatelic publications all over the world. Mr. Rich is editor of the Group's fine publication, "The France & Colonies Philatelist".

The list is endless and is constantly being added to. Other notable contributors to the fame and enduring quality of the group are Paul Baudry, the distinguished collector of 19th Century France; Alan Fernald, another prominent collector of the classics; Louise Clemenson, famous for her stamps of Reunion; and Charles Bretagne, the club's corresponding secretary and builder of an unmatched collection of the Newspaper Stamps of France.

Among the special attractions of the club is the annual "Lesgor Contest", a competitive event started and maintained by Mr. Lesgor. In the past year this contest which was originally limited to stamps issued before nineteen hundred, has been opened up to 20th century entries with gratifying results.

Recently the club has made available a number of important new benefits to its members, all

of them at no additional hike in annual dues. All members now have complete access to a full "Identification Service" headed by Brainerd Kremer (France) and Edmond Queyroy (Colonies), both nationally known experts.

Also available are a "problem service" headed by Stephen G. Rich, a postal history section under Robert G. Stone, a translation facility operated by Jan Kindler, a French Revenue identification bureau under Mr. Kremer, and a photography department conducted by Adrian Bourelle.

In addition to these fine innovations the organization is fostering several important projects that will be of benefit to philately as a whole, as well as to those specializing in the collecting of French material.

Among these projects are a complete French Philatelic Dictionary in English, a "Definitive Catalog of the Booklet Stamps of France", a complete index to the society's publication, and a "Spring Conference" to be held in New York, May 16-18. Registration for this event is only \$2.50. Those interested should contact Charles Bretagne, Box 30, Poughkeepsie, N.Y.

Still other projects being worked on by various members are a "Definitive Catalog of the Revenue Stamps of France", a study of the newspaper stamps of the country, and an important work, "General Issues of The French Colonies", by Robert Stone. This is now running in the Collectors Club Philatelist, later to be published under the auspices of the Steinway Fund of the Collectors Club.

The result of all this activity has been a spurt of interest in the stamps of France and her Colonies by collectors at large as well as by members of the Group itself.

All of this effort underscores the club's belief that a philatelic society should give service to its members as well as ask cooperation from them. Besides offering social pleasures, and giving those in a group the chance to meet others engaged in like pursuits, the club fosters the exchange of ideas, promotes the hobby and helps its members to understand their specialties better — and in so doing, it furthers their interest in each specialty and adds to their knowledge thereof.

The precise knowledge and information often hard to get, possessed by the many students and experts attracted to such a group as this one, should not be hoarded. It should be disseminated as widely as possible, for the edification and enjoyment of those who would like to delve deeper into specialized fields, but have neither the facilities nor the contacts needed to obtain such information.

It is with this in mind that the France and Colonies Group offers an invitation to all those interested to join this forward-moving and genuinely friendly organization. Dues are only \$1.50 per year to non-resident members and \$2.50 a year to those living

in the New York area. A 50c charge is made with each application to cover handling and mailing. Dues, of course, include a subscription to the "France & Colonies Philatelist".

An application blank containing full information on the Group together with a sample copy of the "Philatelist" will be sent to anyone sending an inquiry to the membership chairman, Stephen G. Rich, Box B, Verona, N.J. Applicants should include a large addressed envelope with their requests.

At present, meetings are held in two centers New York, N.Y. and Malden, Mass. The parent chapter in New York meets on the first Tuesday night of each month (second Tuesday in September) except in July and August. The Malden Chapter meets at less regular intervals.

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The unit cost of 20c will include the official FDC, the new commem., and addressing and mailing. The official envelope will be of white rag bond, and a special enclosure telling the history of the world's first school of journalism will be included with each unit. Orders should be sent to R. W. Haverfield, University of Missouri, School of Journalism, Columbia, Mo. with remittances payable to "50th Anniversary Stamp Fund".

Keystone Postcard Club Elects A. C. Riley

The Keystone Postcard Club, Philadelphia, Pa., has elected Alfred C. Riley president for 1958. With him on the new slate of officers are Harry P. Mason, vice president; Elwood B. Silverthorne, treasurer, and Mrs. Elizabeth A. Riley, reelected as secretary.

The group is interested in stamps, covers, coins, and antiques in addition to postcards and other related fields of collecting. It meets on third Saturdays at the Benjamin Franklin Hotel, 9th and Chestnut Sts., just three blocks from historic Independence Hall.

Visiting collectors are always welcome. Interested parties may obtain copies of the club's publication, Keystone Hobby News, from Louis Meyer, 244 Fernon St., Philadelphia 48, Pa.

Austine President Of Bedford, Ohio Society

The Bedford, Ohio Stamp Club recently reelected Julius Austine as its president. Other officers include: Henry F. Schuenemann, vice president; Kathryn M. Rybak, secretary-treasurer, George F. Simons, corresponding secretary.

Meetings are held the second and fourth Tuesday of each month in St. Mary's School at 8:00 p.m. Auctions, trading sessions, door prizes and a variety of programs are available. Information available from Mrs. Rybak, 14318 Kennerdown Ave., Maple Heights, Ohio. Visitors always welcome.

AUCTIONS

May 9-10-J. & H. Stolor, Inc., 50 W. 40th St., New York 36, U. S. and general fgn.; collections by countries.
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May 12-14-Mercury Stamp Co., 532 9th Ave., New York 36, U. S. and fgn.
May 14-S. Pinchot, P. O. Box 25 Gracie Stn., New York 28, U. S. regulars, commems, air; blocks, plates; parcel post.
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May 19-Normandy Stamp Studio, Inc., Box 1111, Studio City, Calif. Auctioneering of U. S. and general.
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May 24-A. Coleman, 2294 Creston Ave., New York 53, U. S., UN, worldwide UN, Br., general fgn., airm.
May 27-Brooks Stamp Co., 3333 Ave. "X", Brooklyn 35, N. Y. U. S. stamps, covers, revenues; general fgn.
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June 21-Academy Stamps, Inc., 1766 NW 7th St., Miami 35, Fla. U. S., Confederate, UN, Ryukyus, general.
June 2-Michael Bale, 41 High St., Hracombe, England, Israel, Palestine; mint used, covers.
June 2-5-H. R. Harmer, Inc., 8 W. 48th St., New York 36, "Caspary" sale 14: Latin America.
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June 6-7-Billing & Rich, Inc., 56 W. 42nd St., New York 36, Br. Colls., Austrian cancells, Germany, general.
June 3-4-Willshire Stamp Co., 400 N. Larchmont Blvd., Los Angeles 4, Calif. U. S., Br. Empire, general fgn.
June 6-H. R. Harmer, Inc., 8 W. 48th St., New York 36, "Rothschild" collection air post stamps and covers.
June 16-18, 23-25-H. R. Harmer, Inc., 8 W. 48th St., New York 36, "Barlock" collection of Barbados and Trinidad.

Dealer ★ Doings

With an all-time high already established for the sale of an American collection of any sort, the Caspary auctions will be continued June 2-5 by H. R. Harmer, Inc., 6 W. 48th St., New York 36, N. Y. This 14th section will consist of the Latin American portion, in 1650 lots. Argentina and Uruguay comprise half the offering. Catalogs are \$1 each from the Harmer firm.

It's the highways and byways for Gustave H. Fabian, 13 Perry St., Hempstead, N.Y., for the May 10-July 4 period. His office will be closed while he embarks on a 12,000-mile buying trip through the west and northwest. He requests his correspondents to note this fact, and to allow time after his return for him to catch up on orders and mail before becoming impatient.

For dealers only is the announcement by S. J. Stevens, 7681 Fillmore St., West Hollywood, Fla. that his new wholesale price list is now ready for distribution. He specializes in pictorial singles, sets and airmails, and his 5 1/2 x 8 1/2-inch 12-page list illustrates many attractive offerings in his field, at per ten prices. Dealers should use their letterheads when writing for copies.

Classified advertiser Rey Fey, 583 Elm St., Maywood, N. J. reports the same trouble other dealers encounter when a digit fails to print in a price listing. He offered U. S. mint plate blocks complete, 1932 to date, at \$425 (face around \$100) but the "4" did not print in the ad. Several foolish "collectors" sent checks. Surely, 2/3 catalog, not 1/4 of face, is a fair price here!

The Brooks Stamp Co., 2323 Ave. "X", Brooklyn 35, N. Y. is a newcomer to the stamp field as far as the name goes, but the principal of the concern is actually a veteran of long standing, Emanuel G. Brooks. He was connected with the auction house of H. R. Harmer, Inc. before beginning operations on his own. Last week's Linn's carried his one page auction listing of May 27.

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A special cancellation reading "COMPEX STATION, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS" has been authorized in connection with the Combined Philatelic Exhibition of Chicago, to be held May 30 through June 1.

Five anniversary slogan postmarks have also been authorized. Centennial cancels will be utilized at Wrightsville, Ga. from date of receipt through May 17 for Johnson County, while Elkhart, Ind. will note its observance July 1 through September 12.

Diamond jubilee cancels will be in use May 15 through November 15 at Oklahoma City, Okla. for the 75th anniversary of Federal Civil Service, and from May 1 through August 9 for the same anniversary of Ainsworth, Brown County, Nebr.

Miami, Fla. will utilize a cancel May 17 through June 14 to note the 50th anniversary of the Governor's Conference, while Brookings, Ore. is using one through June 1 marking its Azalea Festival. Finally, Neosho, Mo. is postmarking mail with "All America City Award" from May 1 through November 1.

Austrian POD Makes Friendly Stamp Gesture

Austria instituted in January a step which has met with much favorable response from stamp collectors. Briefly, it is the use of a simple, neat "killer" device to cancel stamps which escape the usual defacing at the posting office of origin.

Heretofore such "skips" have been canceled by any means at hand - usually an indelible pencil, which rendered the stamps worthless for collecting. The Vienna post office is now using a design in the form of a circle about 1/4-inch in diameter with "W. 1." enclosed therein; other offices have a similar circular design, enclosing three horizontal wavy lines, according to Frank S. Schanzer, Fostoria, Ore.

Topical Stamps In Railroad Publication

"The Missouri Pacific Lines Magazine", published by the Missouri Pacific Railroad, features in its March issue an article by topical collector Walter J. Kirby, Little Rock, Ark. philatelist and publicity director of the "TOPEX '58" exhibition June 13-15, in the Arkansas city.

The 40,000 monthly circulation of the "MoP" line's publication distributes Mr. Kirby's interesting "railroad stamps" story over much territory that is virgin as far as philately is concerned. In the process, much publicity for the important June exhibition will be gained.

The "MoP" is by no means disinterested in stamps and unaware of the good publicity benefits to be gained through them. Company officials have prepared the railroad's own display of railroad stamps in frames equivalent to three of 36 x 48 inches in size, and will exhibit it at the TOPEX event. This will be held in the Hotel LaFayette, Little Rock, Ark. June 13-15, with the Twin Cities Stamp Club as host.

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Pressure Eases On Vatican Brussels Set

The situation is improving regarding the forthcoming Vatican Brussels Fair issue, according to Vittorio Lo Bianco, Inc. of New York. As already announced this issue, composed of a set of four stamps and one souvenir sheet, has been delayed several times and there were rumors about very limited quantities and rationing of the souvenir sheet.

The Lo Bianco firm, interpreting the concern of American collectors, contacted the Vatican authorities and has received an official reply as follows:

"The proportion of one sheet to every ten sets had been adopted temporarily and only with an orientation purpose. Following new dispositions, suggested also by incorrect interpretations of the above proportions, such ratio will not be rigidly applied and the requests, either of the sets or the sheets, will be satisfied according to availability."

While the communication does not reveal the new proportion of the sheets in respect to the sets there is no doubt that the distribution will be much more liberal. According to other sources the ratio will be from 50% to 100% of the sets. The date of issue, while imminent, has not yet been announced.

Space Satellite Unit Lists FD IGY Cachet

The Space Satellite Unit of the American Topical Assn. (ATA) will offer special cacheted covers for the IGY stamp which is to be released May 31 at Chicago, Ill. Priced at 10c each, they may be ordered from George W. Forby, 461 Winona, Dubuque, Iowa.

For enthusiasts in the space satellite field of collecting, the unit offers membership in an active group and the monthly publication "THE ASTROPHILE" which keeps the members alerted to developments in space satellites, rockets, the IGY in general, and related subjects.

Membership in the unit is \$1; full details may be obtained from the secretary, Mrs. Frances Fenner, Box 46, Afton, N. Y.

Lakewood Stamp Club To Exhibit May 23-25

The Lakewood, Ohio Stamp Club will hold its fourth annual exhibition May 23-25 in Hopler's Patio Room, 15016 Detroit Ave., Lakewood. An innovation this year will be a bourse, with eight dealers offering a wide variety of things philatelic.

The exhibition will consist of 48 frames of competitive displays by the group's members, with suitable prizes to be awarded. Hours for the event are 8 p. m. to 10 p. m. on Friday, 11 a. m. to 10 p. m. Saturday, and 1 p. m. to 6 p. m. on Sunday.

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showed where reputable and highly respected collectors of that period, Mr. Ross O'Shaughnessy of San Francisco and Judge W. G. Cady of the Municipal Court of Syracuse, N. Y., had bid on certain lots of stamps which in the end were not secured by them although the bids they had made were higher than the Tuttle boys reported the lots had been sold. The Tuttle boys had knocked down the lots to themselves and thus cheated Mr. Bainbridge. The complete story is in the August, September and October numbers of my journal, "The Stamp Collector", 1910. Perhaps Mr. Cratsenberg would like to borrow these numbers from the Library of either the APS or the Collectors Club and get acquainted with how the APS protects its members, but of course the APS is not a police organization and can not fight for its members.

Perhaps also Mr. Cratsenberg would like to read the May 12, 1934 issue of Linn's Weekly as well as the June 2, issue of the same year. In the former we printed the story of how one J. L. Portwood, then of New York City had been operating a racket through the United States Special Delivery system whereby he was able to obtain beautifully canceled singles and blocks of the commemorative stamps of the period at a small fraction of their face value. When we discovered this racket we wrote two other publishers of weekly papers that are still operating and explained the system to them and advised them that we were about to print an expose of the racket and invited them to join with us in the expose. Both publishers ignored the invitation. We printed the story in our May 12 issue and in our June 2 issue we printed a notice whereby Mr. Portwood canceled his advertising account with us and started giving bigger advertising to the other papers.

Perhaps also Mr. Cratsenberg would like to read in our paper where we exposed the fact that certain Philippine Booklet stamps had never reached the Philippines during the war over there and had been found in the hands of a Philippine representative in Washington and been purchased by a dealer and were being offered at fantastic prices by several American dealers. We had the facts on this situation and we printed them. Most of the dealers involved were very considerate about the matter but Mr. Elmer Long of Harrisburg got real mad and canceled his advertising with us. Of course Elmer lost much more by such an act than we did for it has kept him out of the biggest circulation in the country and Elmer has a knack of writing a type of advertising that would sell a lot of stamps for him if he could just reach the buyers who take our paper.

These are just a few of the outstanding examples of the yellow journalism that Mr. Cratsenberg accuses us of. If Mr. Cratsenberg could see all the fine letters we constantly receive from our readers he would have to change his mind for many of them are APS members.

Again, regardless of how the officials or others associated with the APS may feel about the matter, all we have always wanted the APS to do is to fight for the rights of their members and for Philately in general.

We feel that this is their obligation. If they want to insist on squirming out of that, then there is nothing we can do.

Dr. Gerhart To Show His "Japan" At Reading

The May 20 meeting of the Reading, Pa. Stamp Club will feature the appearance of Dr. Arthur Gerhart of Lancaster, Pa. He will discuss the philately of Japan, and will exhibit choice selections from his superb collection of the country.

The meeting will held at 8 p.m. at 300 N. 6th St., Reading, Pa. Collectors throughout the area are invited to attend.

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will personal checks, which will be returned to the sender. Customers are urged not to send cash through the mail.

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8. No mixed orders for both first day covers and mint stamps will be processed. Such orders will be returned to the sender. Customers are therefore urged to send in orders separately.

Separate orders for mint stamps will be accepted. They should be addressed to the UN Postal Administration, United Nations, N. Y. It should be noted that in respect of mint orders a minimum of 10 stamps must be purchased for each marginal inscription block desired in denominations from 1c to 8c inclusive of the regular issue. Collectors should also remember to allow in their remittance for return postage and registration when necessary.

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The UN Postal Administration sales counter in the public lobby of the General Assembly building will also have, on the first day of issue, selected philatelic stock available for cash purchase by collectors in the New York area. The new issue will of the Secretariat building, where also be on sale in the main lobby first day cancellation may also be obtained.

Austrian Stamp For Mothers Day

The Mothers of Austria received philatelic recognition when on May 8 that nation made valid for postage a 1.50 Schilling commemorative with a Mothers Day theme. Before World War II this was done in several years but has been a non-existent recognition since.



The expressive but simple design pictures a seated mother with a daughter resting her head on the mother's lap. It was printed in a dark blue color.

Sale of the stamp began on May 5 — they were not valid for postage until May 8 — the latter date therefore being considered the day of issue.

Adelbert Pilch, an Austrian artist, prepared the design. The engraving of the die was in the hands of Georg Wimmer who has been responsible for this task with many Austrian issues.

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News of the new issue came from the Austrian Postal Administration and Edwin Mueller of New York City.

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ARGENTINA. A one Peso brown of the regular series was issued on April 7. The design shows dairy cattle.

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CEYLON. In keeping with the "Sinhalese only" language policy of the government, eight of the current regulars were reissued on April 30 bearing language alterations. The values and subjects are: 2c, Ruhuna National Park; 3c, Ancient Guard Stone; 4c, Kandyan Dancer; 6c, rice harvesting; 25c, Sigiriya Fresco; 2 Rupees, Gal Oya; 5R., bas relief; and 10R., rice harvesting. The colors, size, and perforations will remain the same.

ETHIOPIA. To commemorate the Conference of Independent African States three adhesives of the same design are to be issued. The denominations will be 10c, 20c and 30c.

GERMANY. The new Congress Hall appears on a 3 Mark stamp issued April 26.

ITALIAN SOMALILAND. A new sport series was released April 28 consisting of seven postage and three airmails.

NETHERLANDS ANTILLES. April 15 was first day of four semipostals featuring bird designs. The values are: 2½c plus 1c, sparrowhawk; 7½c plus 1½c, yellow oriole; 15c plus 2½c, doves; and 2½c plus 2½c, parakeet.

NEW ZEALAND. A 6d item is scheduled in September to mark the 30th anniversary of the first air crossing of the Tasman Sea by Sir Charles Kingsford Smith.

PAKISTAN. Marking the 20th anniversary of the death of Sir Mohammed Iqbal, a famous poet, a set of three was issued on April 21.

POLAND. Old Town Halls in Poland are the theme of a set of five which appeared March 29. Values and halls are: 20 groszy green, Biecz; 40gr. brown, Wroclaw; 60gr. blue, Tarnow; 2.10 Zloty red brown, Gdansk; and 2.50Zl. dark lilac, Zamosc.

SPANISH GUINEA. A new sports set of four designs has been issued. The 10c brown and 2 Pesetas lavender show basketball; 15c brown and 2.30Pts. violet, running broad jump; 80c green and 3Pts. blue, sprinting; and 5c dark brown and 1Pt. orange, boxing.

Ghana To Release All QEII Overprints

On May 26 the three low values of Ghana's Queen Elizabeth set will be released. These were overprinted along with the other nine values on March 6, 1957 but were not then officially issued.

While the Agency will have only a limited amount of complete sets available, there will be adequate amounts of the lower denominations. This issue will be on sale until sold out. Official First Day of Issue Covers will also be made available by the Agency.

The Ministry of Communications has just announced that the new 6d registry envelopes were issued May 1.

Readers are reminded that the Ghana Philatelic Agency, Ltd. of New York is a wholesale outlet only. Individual collectors should consult their regular dealers for stamps and covers.

Capt. B. Lipsner To Address JKAMS Meet

Capt. Benjamin B. Lipsner, first superintendent of the U. S. Airmail Service and a lifetime member of the Jack Knight Air Mail Society, will address that group at its next meeting. The event will be held at 8 p. m. May 23, in the Hotel LaSalle, Chicago, Ill. It will mark the May 15 fortieth anniversary of the beginning of airmail service in the U. S.

The experiences and problems of that early era will be described by the captain who has promised to exhibit a number of mementos of the period. The meeting will be of the open house variety, with the welcome mat out for members and all airmail enthusiasts in general. Appropriate refreshments are promised.



THESE ARE REAL BEAUTIES! On April 15 the Netherlands Antilles released a set of four semipostals the surtax of which will provide funds for Child Welfare. In multi-color, the quartet pictures birds of this Dutch colony. They have to be seen to be appreciated as a black and white reproduction as given here can not do them justice. Denominations are 2½c + 1c; 7½c + 1½c; 15c + 2½c; 22½c + 2½c.



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Whenever you get a change to look through an ordinary mixture of precancels there will be certain items that appear often. Then later you check another lot from a different source and still there are these same ones in the mixture. You must then conclude that such stamps are well circulated and fairly common.

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Well, Patterson, N. J. on the 2c coil was one of the first that appeared in several mixtures and in quantities. The 1c coil from Depere, Wis. and Loretto, Pa. are others. Then Rock Hills, S. C. you find on the 1c and 2c coils, and just before these it appeared pretty often on the Precixies, especially the 2c value.

The nation's capital, Washington D. C. is using both 1c and 2c coils pretty frequently. Chicago, New York and Cleveland are getting into the picture now. What do you find the most common lots you look over?

BUREAU ISSUES

As reported by George Klein, new Bureau issue dealer of Vincennes, Ind.: Sacramento, 1c coil; Denver, 4c sheet stamp; Atlanta, 1c coil; Columbus, Ga. 1c sheet stamp; Wichita, 2c sheet stamp; Saginaw, 3c sheet stamp. Also Omaha, 3c coil; Newark, N. J. 2c sheet stamp; Dallas, 20c sheet stamp; and Fort Worth, 20c sheet stamp. All are Liberty issues.

MW DATEDS

This isn't National Precancel Poll week, but one might think so from reading this column. Also the following comments might lead to some arguments, but the fact that some people think is the life of a party. So here we go with the relative scarcity of those intriguing MW (Montgomery Ward) printed dat-ds.

Chicago of course is the most common, but from here on I don't think there will be much agreement. My choice for second place is Baltimore, Md. Next comes Albany, N. Y.—or is it Oakland, Calif? Then there are Portland, Ore. and Fort Worth, Texas; Kansas City, Mo. and Saint Paul. I think Kansas City is scarcer than Saint Paul.

And what is the toughest town — Jacksonville, Florida? Then there is Denver, Colorado. Where does it fit in? Of course I might have missed a town or two. So why don't you write me just what you think about these dat-ds and the order of their scarcity?

BULLETIN BOARD

The Pacific Northwest "News-letter" in from Meridian, Idaho with 1c Liberties. The "Printed Dated News" still from Rockford, Ill. How much longer can they keep coming out with something different but still from the same city? This time it's a 1c Defense Bureau (narrow) and two ½c Precixies. The latter are in the integral type used there several months ago. On the Defense the dating is "P. D. P. N." above the lines, "Apr. 1958" below the lines. The "Precancel Yankee" in with a 2c Liberty from Erving, Mass. and it is dated too. "Hi April 58" all in one line is above the top line of the precancel.

The Central Ohio Club's "Buck-eye" mailed from Sunbury, Ohio. A 2c Liberty was used and the

Freiburg New President Glen Ellyn Philatelists

The Glen Ellyn, Ill. Philatelic Club which celebrated its 20th anniversary on February 28 announces the following officers for 1958: Richard N. Freiburg, president; H. Louis Purdy, vice president; R. Morgan Tucker, recording secretary; and W. Lee Fergus, secretary-treasurer. Mr. Fergus, a charter member of the group, thus begins his 15th consecutive year in this office.

The meeting place of the club is the village board room of the Glen Ellyn fire house; other details of the organization's activities are obtainable from Mr. Fergus at 166 Forest Ave., Glen Ellyn, Ill.

new U-120n type was the precancellation.

Now from the Tucson Stamp Club comes a copy of their bulletin mailed with a 2c Liberty in the familiar U-12 type of Tucson. A pretty precancel when printed. Although the group is a regular stamp club this issue of its bulletin has quite an article on precancels.

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Trio Notes Saint's Thirteenth Centenary

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The low value shows the founder of the Abbey of Echternach together with his first donor, St. Irmina. They are depicted according to a pen-and-ink drawing which dates back to about 1300.



The 2.50fr. shows the saint from a 1574 painting which is now in the Bruges municipal museum, while the 5fr. is based on a little wood carving of about 1490.

The set was designed and engraved by Sem Hartz and printed by Joh. Enschede & Sons, Haarlem, The Netherlands in sheets of 50.

Stamp collectors desiring first day covers may send up to ten addressed envelopes with proper remittance to the Direction des Postes, Office des Timbres, Luxembourg. The U. S. dollar equals 47 Luxembourg francs, and orders should be sent via airmail (15c per half ounce from the U.S.).

Princely Change In Monaco Comems

The Monaco offering announced about 60 days ago as including three singles and a set of 13 is now scheduled for May 15 release, with one slight change from the original listing. As projected, the set will mark the centennial of the vision at Lourdes, and two of the three singles will note the founding of the order of St. Charles, and the Monte Carlo automobile rally.

The third single, however, is now offered to commemorate the birth of Prince Albert, whereas it was first designated as a tribute to Princess Caroline. Values of the three remain at 100 francs each, while the set ranges from 1fr. to 200fr. denominations.

Colors are blue black for the Prince Charles item; red, green and olive bistre for the St. Charles; and sepia, deep green and vermilion for the Monte Carlo.

The 13 values of the Lourdes set are printed in two or three colors each, with the 8 10, and 12fr. values appearing as a triptych in blue, yellow, brown and red. The 16 originally scheduled stamps were fully described on page 11 of the March 24 Linn's.

JUGOSLAVIA

1LB1/2	15	389	.....	35
1/14	1.60	391/92	.....	35
121/35	48	395/97	.....	70
136/37	20	410	.....	1.75
138/39	18	415/19	.....	2.20
140/41	15	461/68	.....	2.90
150	55	469/77	.....	2.25
159A/78	20	478/79	.....	1.55
160/71	70	481/89	.....	1.55
173/84, 211/4	75	491/95	.....	1.55
185/96	1.35	526/31	.....	1.55
185A/96A	1.35	532/37	.....	1.55
199/201	30	546/47	.....	45
202/03	25	557A	.....	30
205/09	25	562/65	.....	55
215/17	18	566/69	.....	60
218/20	22	570/73	.....	60
231/32	15	590/93	.....	50
236/38	15	594/97	.....	50
239/42	25	598/101	.....	55
243/45	22	6102/96	.....	65
246/49	28	6116/19	.....	30
250/56	50	6120/23	.....	55
257/59	22	6124/25	.....	75
260/61	40	6124A/25A	.....	4.25
262/64	70	6131/32	.....	1.60
265/67	75	6133	.....	12
269/72	55	6134	.....	1.10
272/82	95	6138/41	.....	75
283/85	20	6145/18	.....	22
286/89	20	6149/51	.....	18
290/93	55	6152/54	.....	18
295/99	1.20	6155/57	.....	50
306/304	1.45	6176	.....	2.00
305/15	1.75	C7/16	.....	75
317/22	88	C17/28	.....	75
323	10	C29	.....	25
324/25	12	C33, 33A	.....	1.45
327/34	48	C34/42	.....	1.75
335/37	75	C43	.....	2.25
338	10	C44	.....	2.25
339/40	12	C48	.....	22
341/42	28	C54	.....	85
343/54	1.65	C57	.....	32
355/57	85	J37A/B	.....	35
359/64	1.25	J38/50	39
365/67	65	J51/58	35
369/72	55	J64/66	15
373/74	35	J67/77	1.35
378/84A	45	RA5/12	35
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There has been no official first day as far as is known. They were merely placed on sale in various offices as the stocks of the older stamps were exhausted.

Texas Association Books 62nd Convention

The 62nd annual convention of the Texas Philatelic Assn. will be held May 30-June 1 in the Hilton Hotel, Fort Worth. A "select" exhibition of about 150 frames of top material is being prepared.

The host club is the Panther City Philatelic Society of Fort Worth. Collectors and dealers desiring copies of the prospectus and other information may write Philip D. Larson, 1414 Oil & Gas Bldg., Fort Worth, Texas.

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The airmail auction to be sponsored by the combined Jack Knight Air Mail Society and the First Flight Federation during Chicago's "COMPEX" will offer the finest and most extensive showing of airmail covers to be put on the block in many years. The sale will be held May 30 at 2 p. m. in the Hotel LaSalle, Chicago, Ill.

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ONE CENT EACH	55	56	58	67	68	153	165
170	181	182	227	228	243A	243A	245
245	246	247	247	248	249	251	251
266	272	282	283	285	340	J45	J45
J80	J80	J80	J80	J80	J80	J80	J80

TWO CENTS EACH	34	43	55	56	75	77	78
150	152	154	155	158	164	165	183
216	227	228	244	244	248	249	250
250	251	252	262	262	263	263	264
265	265	266	272	272	273	273	274
B139	B140	B140	B140	B141	B141	B141	B142
B148	B149	B149	B150	B150	B151	B151	B152
B155	B155	J13	J13	J44	J44	J44	J82

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7	—	10	226	04	02	B12	10	08
8	—	04	229	03	02	B13	35	20
9	—	03	230	03	03	B14	35	12
10	—	03	231	04	04	B15	60	40
11	10	02	232	04	01	B16	25	20
14	—	05	233	05	04	B17	30	25
16	—	06	234	05	02	B18	25	25
17	06	02	235	05	02	B19	25	25
19	06	01	236	06	03	B20	30	80
20	10	01	237	10	03	B21	12	08
21	—	04	238	12	03	B22	18	15
24	—	06	239	12	—	B23	15	08
25	08	01	240	17	01	B24	45	38
26	06	01	241	17	01	B25	15	15
27	—	03	242E	03	01	B26	15	15
28	—	05	243B	03	01	B27	17	15
29	—	04	243H	04	02	B28	20	17
30	—	03	243J	04	01	B29	25	15
31	15	—	243K	05	02	B30	45	30
32	—	04	243L	06	02	B31	65	30
33	—	03	243M	06	02	B32	15	50
34	—	04	243N	06	02	B33	10	06
35	—	25	243O	06	02	B34	15	07
36	15	10	243P	08	01	B35	20	08
37	—	08	244	03	—	B36	35	35
38	—	10	255	03	02	B37	15	10
39	10	10	256	03	03	B38	20	04
40	12	10	257	03	02	B39	20	04
41	15	15	258	03	02	B40	75	60
42	15	15	259	03	03	B41	—	40
43	15	10	260	03	02	B42	—	30
44	15	10	261	03	02	B43	80	70
45	15	10	262	03	02	B44	14	12
46	15	10	263	03	02	B45	22	17
47	15	10	264	03	03	B46	25	08
48	15	10	265	03	03	B47	75	65
49	15	10	266	03	03	B48	125	115
50	15	10	267	03	03	B49	125	115
51	15	10	268	03	03	B50	15	12
52	15	10	269	03	03	B51	30	20
53	15	10	270	05	04	B52	25	20
54	15	10	271	05	03	B53	12	10
55	15	10	272	10	08	B54	22	15
56	15	10	273	05	03	B55	15	15
57	15	10	274	07	04	B56	15	12
58	15	10	275	08	05	B57	12	10
59	15	10	276	10	06	B58	20	15
60	15	10	277	30	—	B59	20	15
61	15	10	278	04	01	B60	00	00
62	15	10	284	04	01	B61	135	110
63	15	10	285	05	01	B62	35	15
64	15	10	286	04	01	B63	55	17
65	15	10	287	04	01	B64	70	15
66	15	10	288	08	01	B65	75	75
67	15	10	289	10	02	B66	15	08
68	15	10	290	10	02	B67	35	12
69	15	10	291	10	02	B68	40	12
70	15	10	292	15	01	B69	125	100
71	15	10	293	12	01	B70	15	12
72	15	10	294	18	01	B71	—	30
73	15	10	295	20	02	B72	30	10
74	15	10	296	25	02	B73	20	15
75	15	10	297	30	02	B74	30	20
76	15	10	298	30	03	B75	40	15
77	15	10	299	35	01	B76	15	15
78	15	10	300	35	01	B77	20	12
79	15	10	301	40	02	B78	—	25
80	15	10	302	04	02	B79	20	12
81	15	10	303	12	—	B80	—	25
82	15	10	304	12	—	B81	—	25